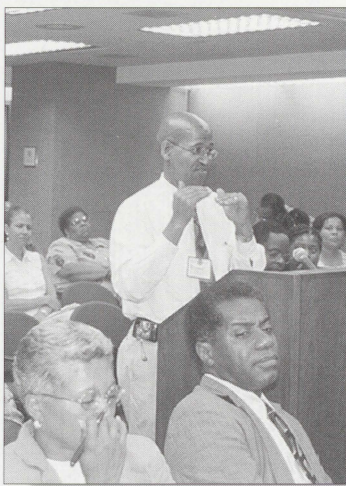




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## Gallaudet spokesperson endorses proposed Metro station at public hearing



Lindsay Dunn, special assistant to the president for diversity and community relations at Gallaudet, endorses the proposed Metro station on behalf of the University at a June 27 public hearing held by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

Gallaudet University was well-represented at a June 27 public hearing held by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) on the proposed Metro station for the Florida Avenue/New York Avenue corridor. Plans call for a new station to be built on Metro's Red Line between Union Station and the Rhode Island Avenue Station.

The hearing, which was held in the Council of Governments Training Room on North Capitol Street, provided WMATA a forum to present plans for the station and an environmental assessment for the proposed sites. It also gave an opportunity for residents, neighborhood business owners, members of the Gallaudet community, and others to register their opinions about the project.

Among those testifying at the public hearing was Lindsay Dunn, Gallaudet's special assistant to the president for diversity and community relations, who attended the hearing with several other people from the University. Dunn said the Metro station would be a boon to the 3,000-plus members of the Gallaudet community, many of whom commute daily. And for students without vehicles, the sta-

tion would provide access to the city's educational, recreational, and cultural offerings. In addition, said Dunn, the station would be convenient for people who attend the University Conference Center's numerous events. One of the most important benefits to Gallaudet, said Dunn, is the economic development anticipated around the station—particularly high tech businesses—which would provide jobs to Gallaudet's skilled graduates.

Of several possible sites—all in the vicinity of the Florida Avenue/New York Avenue intersection—the site most favored for the station by WMATA is located north of M Street and south of Florida Avenue.

WMATA began its study for the new Metro station in the fall of 1999. Beginning in January, a series of outreach meetings at various community locations—including the Gallaudet Conference Center—were held. Input from those meetings, as well as the public hearing, will be used for a final draft plan. The federal government, the city of Washington, D.C., and private developers are sharing the cost of the \$75 million project. Ground may be broken by the end of the year if all of the money is raised.

The environmental assessment takes into consideration the potential adverse impacts of a project on natural and human environments. Project Manager John Thomas said at the public hearing that constructing the Metro station is not likely to result in any consequences to the environment that cannot be alleviated. Thomas said Metro ridership will reduce vehicular traffic and therefore improve air quality, and that businesses that locate around the station may act as a catalyst for economic development of the area.

Save New York Avenue, Inc., an advisory group of business and community organizations, believes that the Metro station will not only be convenient to mass transit users in the neighborhood,

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The Gallaudet team displays the winner's cup after claiming victory in the seventh biennial NAD College Bowl on July 6. Gallaudet has won four of the seven NAD College Bowl competitions. This year's team members are: (first row, from left) team alternate Christopher Kaftan, Allison Polk, (back row) Sara Robinson, Jason Lamberton, team captain Christian Wojnar, and coach Robert Weinstock.

(PHOTO BY JEANETTE PEREIRA)

## Gallaudet victorious in NAD College Bowl

By Robert Weinstock

The Gallaudet University College Bowl team won the seventh biennial National Association of the Deaf College Bowl July 6 in Norfolk, Va. The team led from early in the first round, and staved off a late challenge by California State University at Northridge to claim its second consecutive national championship.

The NAD College Bowl was established in 1988, and has become one of the most popular events of the biennial NAD conference. Teams from the three largest postsecondary programs for deaf students—Gallaudet University, the National Technical Institute for the Deaf at Rochester Institute of Technology (NTID/RIT), and California State University at Northridge (CSUN)—compete against each other in "The Varsity Sport of the Mind," answering questions about art and literature, deaf heritage and culture, entertainment, geography, history, mathematics, science/nature and technology, and sports and leisure. This year's

NAD College Bowl consisted of three 18-question rounds. Each round had progressively more difficult questions.

The competition had a thrilling finish. CSUN narrowed Gallaudet's 14-point lead to four points going into the final question. The question, in the Science/Nature and Technology category, asked teams to list the four letters representing the major chemicals of human DNA. Gallaudet answered the question correctly with the letters A, C, G, and T, representing adenine, cytosine, guanine, and thymine, respectively.

The following members made up this year's victorious Gallaudet University College Bowl team:

**Christian Wojnar**, team captain, graduated cum laude in May with a degree in government. Wojnar, from Baldwinsville, N.Y., was also a member of the 1998 College Bowl team. He will attend The George Washington University Law School this fall.

**Jason Lamberton**, a rising senior from Fremont, Calif., is majoring in computer science. He

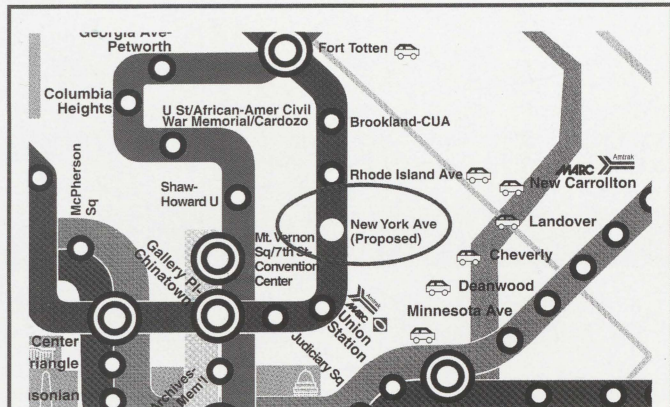
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## Celebrate ADA's 10th Anniversary

Gallaudet's celebration of the Americans with Disabilities Act's 10th anniversary is one of a number of events happening around the nation on July 25 and 26. The main event is the Spirit of ADA Torch Relay, a 24-city, cross-country relay that aims to call on Americans to "renew the pledge" to ensure full implementation of the ADA and IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act), while honoring the creativity and achievements of Americans with disabilities.

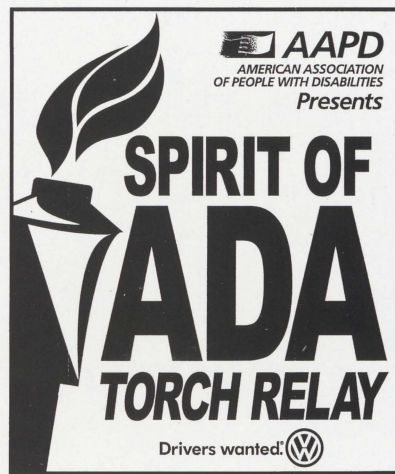
In the Washington, D.C., area, in addition to a picnic party at Gallaudet in front of College Hall to celebrate the torch's arrival on campus on

the 25th between 2:30 and 3 p.m., there will be a special ceremony at the FDR Memorial at noon on the 25th and a Rally for Freedom at noon on the 26th.



The proposed New York Avenue station would provide a new stop along the Red Line between Union Station and Rhode Island Ave stations.

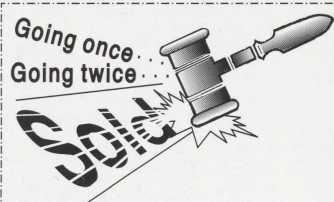
Courtesy of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority







A pilot program entitled the Political Internship Program is pairing Gallaudet students with members of the D.C. Council for a 10-week internship this summer. Pictured with council members and interns are: Academic Advising/Career Center staff members (front row) Jodi Rudick, employment/internship advisor (third from left); Dr. Nancy Pollock-Carroll, Academic Advising/Career Center director (third from right); Gregory Ellis, Career Center coordinator (right); (back row) Sharrell McCaskill, employment/internship advisor (ninth from left; and T.V., Photography, and Digital Media assistant professor Facundo Montenegro (fourth from right).

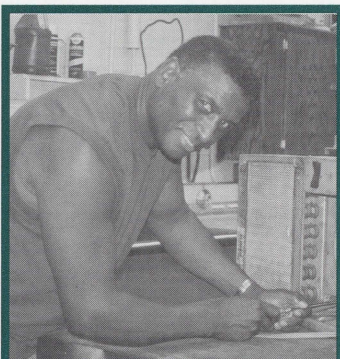


**Sale/Rent:** 1-BR condo at Frenchman's Creek in New Carrollton, Md. Sale price is \$32,000, rent is \$600/mo. plus elect. E-mail bsting77@hotmail.com.

## Metro station planned

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it will also be an essential component to support economic development nearby, such as the renovation of two large warehouses, a shopping center, and new office buildings. Gallaudet is represented on the advisory group's Board of Directors by its president, Dr. I. King Jordan. **G**



Today, when the national average for someone to stay at a job is less than four years, Johnny Bowden's 43 years working at Gallaudet is particularly impressive. In fact, he held the title of being the University's senior employee. That era in Bowden's life ended June 30 when he stepped down from his job as Room Mechanic III in PPD to return to Clinton, N.C., to join his three brothers in working the farm that has been in his family for 90 years, and to do some fishing. Photographed working on his last air conditioning unit, Bowden commented, "I have mixed emotions," about leaving Gallaudet. "I really love Gallaudet," he added, but, "I need to go on and do something else. After 65 years, I need to relax some."

## CLERC CENTER HAPPENINGS

### Clerc Center to open Cochlear Implant Center

The numbers of children with cochlear implants entering schools throughout the United States is on the increase. To address the educational programming needs of this quickly expanding generation of children, the Clerc Center will establish a Cochlear Implant Center this fall. The goal of the center is to investigate, evaluate, and share best educational practices for children with implants within Gallaudet's demonstration schools, and at schools and programs nationally. "The Cochlear Implant Center will be special in that its focus will be to develop and evaluate programming for children with implants within an educational framework that integrates American Sign Language," said Provost Jane Fernandes.

"Through its work, the center will evaluate and eventually model school programming that capitalizes on the technology of cochlear implants, yet continues to recognize that children with implants are still members of the deaf community. As such, they deserve the opportunity to develop skill in and knowledge of American Sign Language and Deaf Culture."

The center will emphasize programming that addresses development of spoken language skills and at the same time addresses each child's overall visual language development, social/emotional development, and educational needs. In addition, and most importantly, the Cochlear Implant Center will serve as a



Debra Nussbaum will serve as coordinator of the new Cochlear Implant Center.

national resource and information clearinghouse for schools and programs throughout the nation.

Debra Nussbaum, an audiologist for the Clerc Center, will serve as the coordinator of the new Cochlear Implant Center. She will work closely with Dr. James Mahshie, chair of the University's Department of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology, in the planning and implementation of the center. "I know that Ms. Nussbaum and Dr. Mahshie look forward to working collaboratively with many individuals and departments on campus who are interested in meeting the educational, social, and emotional needs of children with implants and their families," said Dr. Fernandes.

For more information about the Cochlear Implant Center, contact Nussbaum at [debra.nussbaum@gallaudet.edu](mailto:debra.nussbaum@gallaudet.edu) **G**

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is currently an Engineering Research Experiences for Undergraduates Fellow in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Duke University in Durham, N.C., in a summer internship program sponsored by Duke's Center for Emerging Cardiovascular Technologies.

**Allison Polk**, a rising sophomore from Damascus, Md., will be editor-in-chief of *The Buff and Blue* during the 2000-2001 academic year. She is also an active member of Campus Crusade for Christ.

**Sara Robinson**, a rising senior from Chula Vista, Calif., is majoring in history. She will be managing editor of *The Buff and Blue* next year.

**Christopher Kaftan**, a history

and education major from Woodstock, N.Y., was the team's alternate.

**Robert Weinstock**, an instructor in the Department of English, served as coach. He also coached the 1998 team, which brought the NAD College Bowl championship trophy back to Kendall Green after a four-year absence.

Gallaudet now has won four of the seven NAD College Bowl competitions—1990 in Indianapolis, Ind.; 1992 in Denver, Colo.; 1998 in San Antonio, Tex.; and 2000 in Norfolk, Va. CSUN won the inaugural event in 1988 in Charleston, S.C., and NTID/RIT won in 1994 in Knoxville, Tenn., and 1996 in Portland, Ore.

The next NAD College Bowl will be held in July 2002 in Washington, D.C. **G**

## NOTES FROM PERSONNEL

### Service awards for June

#### Five years:

**Patricia Kunkle**, executive assistant to the president, President's Office

#### Ten years:

**Paul Blakely**, administrative assistant, Student Affairs; **Sarah Hamrick**, director, Information Services, Library; **Patrick Oberholtzer**, reference and instruction librarian, Library; **Khadijat Rashid**, assistant professor, Economics and Finance; **Norman Williams**, computer scientist, Technology Assessment Program

#### Twenty-five years:

**James Haynes**, assistant professor, Philosophy and Religion; **Judith Termini**, associate professor, Communication Arts

### New employees hired in June

**Wayland Joyner**, network technician, Networks and Communications; **Brian Kelson**, tour guide, Public Relations; **Mary Lightfoot**, graphic designer, Enrollment Services; **Elizabeth Folsom**, logistics/training/PC technician, Safety and Security

(Note: **Rosa Mann**, transfer credit specialist in the Office of Admissions, was inadvertently omitted from the May 'Personnel Notes' as a 20-year service award recipient.)



Dr. Nancy Pollock-Carroll (left), director of Academic Advising/Career Center, and School of Undergraduate Studies Dean Stephen Weiner (right), congratulate SUS employees for their service to the University (from second left): Joyce McPherson, administrative assistant, 20 years; Dr. Richard Meisegeier, Honors Program director, 35 years; and Mary Drinkwater, stipend/grants specialist, 20 years.